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DOCTOR O. LEWIS.

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ADDRESS FROM KING MONROE.

Who says I am not a king? A veritable, absolute king? Let him who disputes it analyze my history and be convinced; I am a king—not by descent, not by blood, but by the exercise of my own prowess and ability.

I reign over more interests, more dominion and territory, and exercise more influence over the public as well as the private affairs of men than any king in christendom.

I originate more State policy, I enact more laws, I embark in greater undertakings, I execute vaster designs, than any Cabinet of Statesmen, or Congress of Legislators upon the globe. My will is their law. They are mine, body and soul—they obey my behests—they think my thoughts, they consent to my schemes, and they flatter themselves that they represent the people, but they only represent me. Some of them I bury, and out, some I caress by my plausibility and address, some eat my dinners, and some drink my wine. I manage them in the end, and the funniest of all funny things is, they think they are consulting the interests of the country. Why, you see, I can do any thing and every thing, that will bring money and power. I can dig canals, and build rail roads, dig gold, silver, copper and iron, and coal from the earth; I can grow cotton, and rice, and tobacco; manufacture cotton and woolen goods, of any amount, when my good friends will protect me as they always will, I can carry the mail and deliver a good bargain with the Government, as I have often done, I can feed armies on stale beef, I can build ships of war, cast cannon, make guns, pistols, and swords, and manufacture shoddy for soldiers and sailors, I can run rail roads and telegraph lines, over every square mile of the West, using only the money Congress votes me, and not a cent of my own, and own the roads too. Over these roads, I can carry every man, woman, and child, in the country, and all their goods, produce, and merchandise, and charge therefor as I please.

I take great pleasure in managing elections, and determining the choice of candidates. I can tell you many months before an election what my platform is to be, and who is to stand upon it, and pretty nearly the majority he is to have, so well do I understand human nature, and the ebb and flow of party strategy. In fact, so successful have I been in this department of my peculiar duty, that few of those who have an itching palm for the emoluments of office, neglect to secure my support. Every member of these enterprises prays I lay under bonds to favor my measures, before hand, and if they swerve a hundredth of a hair, my presence denounces him as a traitor to his country.

For the efficient working of my system, I take those whom by parties I like. I know what an office. We then form what we call a "ring," each member of it working with might and main for himself and Co., and to keep out outsiders from all participation in the spoils. This works to my peculiar satisfaction, and also to the satisfaction of those who stand off and believe each demonstration of the ring, to be the will of their great party.

I spoke above of my presses. You smile, I see. Why, you dunces, do you suppose I can govern the country, control the elections, manage all the railroads, fund the vast population, furnish it fuel, supply all its wants even to giving it light of nights without having its press under my control? You are as justly green if you do. The press free from any check or hindrance, may take my measures or go its own way, into the opposition if it pleases. No one forbids it, but mind you it will upbraid work and it will soon rise. The people will say "it may be honest, but bless you, it is an old dog, and not in sympathy with the torpor and spirit of this modern age."

Look you, my friend, you seem to doubt all this. Let me convince you. You do not wear an article of dress which I have not furnished you. Your wife and daughter are equally obliged to me. Your furniture, I made with my own hands. Your iron ware, farming implements, salt, coal, oil, glass, warming apparatus, crockery, china and silver ware on your table, your spirits, wines, tobacco, back-bills, &c., with many other of your necessities, have come to you directly through my hands.

And to give you a still better idea of my character and of my ability to control all the interests of this, our modern civilization, I will inform you that I have hundreds of millions of hard specie under lock and key for future operations, and that I own territory sufficient between the Mississippi and the Pacific, to make ten States such as large as Pennsylvania, in the life of one person I shall see cities, upon those lands of mine as large as Pittsburg, Buffalo and Harrisburg. You know, I suppose, that for every mile of rail road I have

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A MASOON ODE.

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That doth the Pathos path declare—
Ye masters of the Good and True!
Ye guides of the accepted few!

Still cast your halo, genial rays
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May ye, through all the days of time,
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The path that leads to Freedom's Gate.

And lead us to the Lodge above,
W. J. THOMPSON.
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Selected Tale.

GERTRUDE'S WOOING.

"I really don't think that twenty ounces of brains have come into the world for me," said Gertrude.

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Them horses must be set down to the credit of her stately old partner, who will show you no doubt, that when her oldest brother's regiment (he was a kumel) left for the seat of war, that Miss McGrath presented to it a foot of color which she made up for her own. Miss McGrath's Federal soldier which had escaped from Andersonville was hid in her barn shed; not operate again. Outo her piano there was a choice collection of Southern songs, and there a number of the Louisville will was left; did split in the face of a Federal officer, but what was that? Is a great government going to inquire closely into such trifles? Miss McGrath give me the names of three Federal soldiers who were on the place during the last year of the war, with wood certify to her loyalty, which they didn't wood show that there was not any gratified in humanity.

Deakin's program has ever course a claim. The Deakin's horses was all taken by a Federal officer, which was the more aggravating, as the Deakin had, in addition to his own, just bought a new pair of horses, which he had delivered to General Morgan of the Confederacy, the next day, who was to be paid for in gold. "They were all gobbled." For these Federal soldiers, who were on the place during the last year of the war, with wood certify to her loyalty, which they didn't wood show that there was not any gratified in humanity.

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